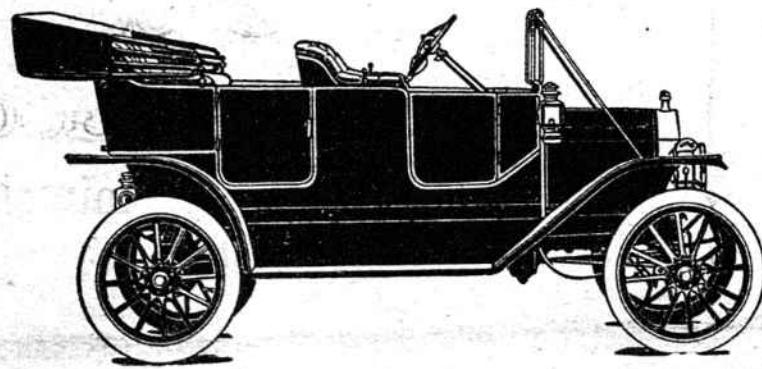




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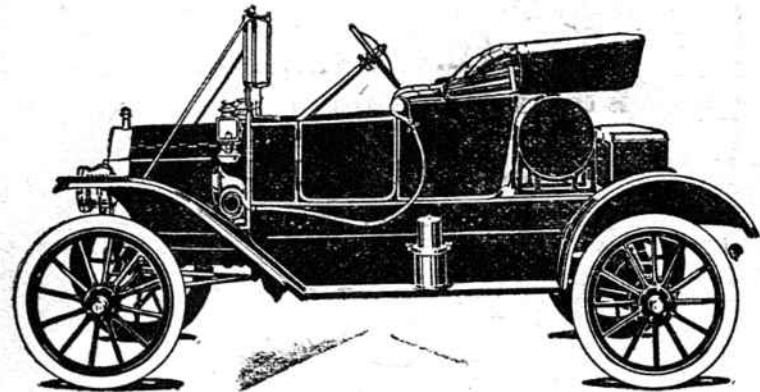
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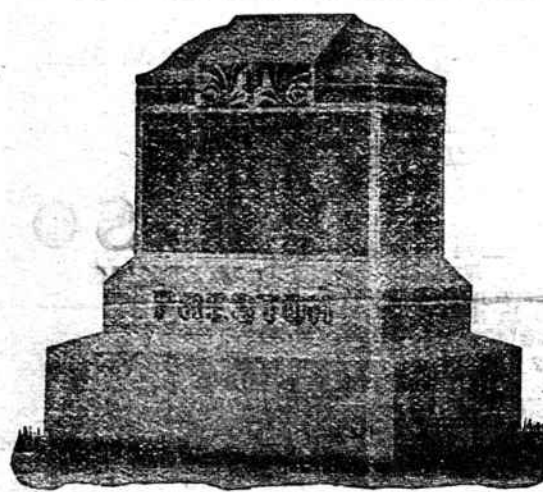
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## SOME EXCELLENT SUGGESTIONS REGARDING BREEDING OF HOGS

Roughage Is One of Most Important Factors in Wintering Brood Sows—Animals Do Not Thrive Well if Not Given Sufficient Quantity—Scrub Hog Is Not Profitable.

(By B. E. LARA.)

The farmers of Denmark secure the best prices for their fancy bacon for the reason that they have established small packing establishments where they can haul their hogs and get their pay for the hogs according to their actual worth. How different from the system, or lack of system, in this country, where we are compelled to take just what the packing house operators are a mind to pay us for our hogs. Will the time ever come when our farmers can see the great benefits to be derived from co-operation?

Roughage is one of the most important factors in wintering the brood sows, and if they do not get enough coarse food they will not do well. Corn and milk are well balanced as a diet, but there should be something added to distend the organs or digestion. Then again, brood sows will keep more quiet and contented if they are given alfalfa, clover or some kind of roughage to work over during the day. Good corn stover is better than nothing and the sows will work it over and eat large quantities of it every day.

The man who has a lot of thrifty August or September pigs and gives them rational care until grass comes and has them ready for the market



A Type of Hog That Is Fast Disappearing.

the middle of June will make better money for his feed than he will on any bunch of pigs that he feeds during the year.

Do not be afraid to give shoats plenty of range during the winter, providing, of course, that you have good, dry sleeping places and warm houses to shelter them during the extremely cold weather.

On each and every farm there should be some provision made for tipping hogs. This not only proves to be an easy and effective way of disinfecting animals which are brought on the farm, but it also keeps them free from lice.

Possibly there is no other farm animal that can offer as poor an excuse for his existence as the scrub hog. He is an unprofitable animal any way you take him.

As an economical pork producer he is a failure. Even his ability to shift for himself does not recommend him to the people within the limit of his range as he has the reputation of preying upon neighboring corn fields when food is scarce.

His build naturally adapts him to his manner of living since he is long-legged, narrow in the chest, has a long, narrow snout. This adapts him to his manner of living. With the scrub hog it is "root hog or die," hence the long snout. His narrow body aids him in getting through small fence cracks and if he falls to find a place large enough to go through the fence he can soon dig under it with his long snout.

There is no standard of excellence for the scrub hog since he may possess almost any form except a beautiful one; he may be of any color.

He has the reputation of being able to stand all kinds of rough treatment and still survive.

He is regarded as being able to resist disease better than the improved breeds of hogs. We very much doubt whether this quality attributed to the scrub hog is true since we have noticed that hog cholera takes the scrubs as well as the well-bred hog.

One thing is sure, that the scrub hog can consume more valuable feed and give less in return than any other animal that we know of.

A farmer who owns a herd of scrub hogs seldom needs any other corn crib than his hogs.

He never gets rich selling pork, and in fact if he depended upon his hogs



Pair of Champion Berkshires.

to make him money to buy better bred hogs he would never own better ones. The scrub hog usually keeps his owner so poor that he is not able to buy any better stock. In fact, this is the excuse usually given for his existence. Poor farming and scrub hogs are usually found associated together. They are near and dear companions. Both make a rapid retreat before a progressive spirit and there is not a better evidence of the general progress

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siveness of a people than the absence of the scrub hog from a community.

Too much stress cannot be laid on selecting breeding swine from sound, healthy parents. Animals that are not strong in constitution cannot withstand disease as well as those which are strong in that respect. In case hogs are troubled with disease it is almost impossible to give them medicine or anything else that will prove



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very helpful. About all we can do is to feed a ration that can be easily digested and keep them in clean quarters, thoroughly disinfect the pens and let the disease run its course.

Whole milk is one of the best feeds for hogs that are suffering with disease of any kind. It is an excellent feed and has often been of great assistance in bringing hogs through spells of sickness.

There is no disputing the fact that corn is an ideal hog feed, but every practical feeder admits that better results can be brought about by feeding a ration that is composed of less than two-thirds corn. It is a mistake to think we cannot afford to buy other feeds to mix with the corn.

Ordinarily it is a mistake not to feed the hogs the liquid before the solid food.

See that the hogs have comfortable quarters—now and the months to come. Failure here will impair the usefulness of the herd.

Hogs will make from 10 to 12 pounds of meat, live weight, for each bushel of corn eaten, but because of this too many farmers feed too much corn.

The cream separator has greatly reduced scours in pigs because the skim-milk can always be fed while sweet.

When the sow of good type has proven herself a prolific breeder, an economical feeder, and a good mother, is a good plan to keep her several years.

The mature sow requires only food for maintenance while the growing one needs food for growth. Furthermore, the older one will have an appetite for waste that a young one would not care for.

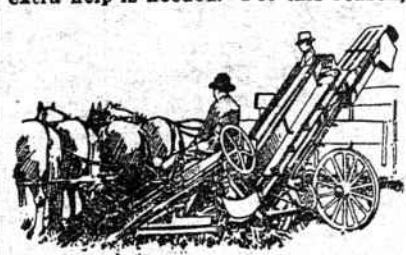
Exercise will help make that streak of lean and streak of fat that is desired.

## LABOR-SAVING CORN-PICKER

Machine Will Do The Work of Several Men—Is Destined to Become Very Popular.

While the corn picker is a comparatively new member of the corn-machine line, nevertheless it is destined to become a very important one.

Before the advent of the high-priced help, and before it became so scarce, the harvesting of the corn crop was not such a serious problem. Modern ideas and changes in the methods of living, however, have brought about a shortage in the supply of farm labor. This shortage is very pronounced, especially in the husking season, when extra help is needed. For this reason,



Corn Picker in Action.

farmers are more than ever in need of a machine which will husk the corn from the standing stalks—a machine which will do the work of several men.

Heretofore, about an acre was considered an average day's work for one man. A corn picker, however, will husk several times this number of acres. A corn picker will, however, not only do the work of several men, but it will deliver the ear corn to the wagon in much better condition than is done ordinarily when husking by hand.

The corn picker is not the inspiration of a minute. It is the work of years. While necessity was the mother of its invention, yet it was hard work that overcame the difficulties that confronted the designers of this machine. One by one these difficulties have been overcome, and the machine is now perfected so that it does a very high class of work.

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## A Christmas Morning

On Which a Bride Gives Her Husband a Present

By Martin Stringfellow

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"I am sorry, Ella, that we are not able to celebrate this our first Christmas together," said Tom Wentworth to his bride, "but the fact nevertheless remains true."

"And why not?" asked the young wife, with surprise written on every line of her face.

"Let me tell you." He took both her hands in his and drew her down on to a seat beside him. "I have something to impart that I have kept to myself for years. You know Shuster?"

"Yes, I know the old curmudgeon."

"Well, I am indebted to him to the amount of \$1,900."

"Why, Tom! And you never told me!"

"I told you before we were married that I had barely enough income from my own profession to procure for us the necessities of life, with not a cent for pleasures. The celebration of Christmas comes under the latter head. You remember that when I finished my four years at college my father failed and I had not the wherewithal to attain my profession. Then suddenly I told you that I had obtained the means, but was pledged to tell no one whence I received it."

"Yes, I remember that."

"One day while I was lamenting my hard fate in being obliged to go into business after expecting to become a lawyer I met old Shuster on the street. Shuster, as you know, lends money at a high rate of interest. He asked me what I proposed to do now that I had been graduated. I was full of my disappointment and told him about it. To my surprise, he offered to lend me the money required to study for my profession."

"But, I said, 'you only lend money on security, and I have no security.'"

"I want no better security than the word of an honorable man," he replied, 'I know when it is safe to lend money and when to refuse to lend.'"

"But you will require a high rate of interest."

"Not in this case. Six per cent will do."

"He agreed to furnish the money as I needed it and declined to take any notes for the amounts loaned. I borrowed a little over three hundred a year from him for three years, earning myself as much besides. On getting my degree I insisted on giving him two notes of \$500 each, one note to be paid each year. Now, you know that my salary with Busby and Busby is \$1,500 a year. Of this amount \$500 must go to Shuster, leaving us \$1,000 on which to live; consequently for two years we have had absolutely nothing for pleasures."

"While the husband was speaking the wife drew closer and closer to him and when he had finished looked up into his face and said:

"I will help you all I can in the matter of giving up pleasures till the debt is paid."

"I knew you would, sweetheart. You see, I shall not only wish to show myself worthy of Shuster's confidence."

"His confidence?"

"Yes. Did he not prove it in lending me the money on my bare promise to repay him?"

"Oh, certainly—yes, I suppose so."

"Well, then, it is understood that we give no presents on Christmas. We can tell every one beforehand that we intend to make nothing of Christmas this year, and next year we'll tell them the same."

"No, we won't."

"But dear, I shall have another note."

"Never mind next year. I will agree to all you suggest for this one except one thing. There shall be one gift between us, and only one. That will be from me to you."

"Well, be it as you wish. But let it be some trifling article made with your own hands. I shall prize it all the more if you make it yourself."

This dialogue occurred previous to Tom Wentworth's departure for his office. With the last words he kissed his bride and went out. She appeared at a window, and he threw her a kiss.

Unknown to her husband, Ella Wentworth made such preparations for Christmas as she chose to make. She was the financial manager of household expenses and was not required to make an accounting. As to the subject of her conversation with her husband, it must be confessed that she violated her wishes. She purchased such gifts as she would have bought had she not signed a desire that she should not do so. But she maintained absolute secrecy in these matters, bringing home the articles herself when she knew Tom was at the office and storing them away where he would not stumble upon them. She provided for an elaborate breakfast for Christmas morning, inviting every one of her own and her husband's families to join them on the occasion.

Tom saw Christmas approach with something of displeasure—that is, the Christmas of his own household. Holidays do not celebrate ourselves are not only irksome, but at times unpleasant. Tom knew what he had asked of his wife in suggesting that she give up entering upon the pleasures of Christmas.

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was in order to pay, as he expressed it, "for a dead horse." He told her when he went to his office the day before the holiday that he would be obliged to spend the evening there working over the papers of a case that had been referred to him to put in order to be used at an approaching trial. His purpose was to furnish an excuse for spending Christmas eve, which they could not afford to make a joyous occasion, away from home. He expected that she would demur at this, but she made no objection whatever. Indeed, since she was intending to celebrate Christmas morning with considerable profusion and fearing that he would notice some indication of the coming event, she was glad to have him away from the house.

Tom came home late Christmas eve, heaving a sigh as he turned his latch key. Ella was waiting for him upstairs and, instead of re-echoing his sigh, received him with a smile.

"What a treasure you are, sweetheart," he said, embracing her, "to give up so much for me."

There was a twinge of conscience on the wife's part at this undeserved encomium, but she threw it off and began to speak of other subjects. We are but human, and it is not best to put too great a strain on one another. To deny a woman or a child all participation in celebrating Christmas is assigning a task without giving adequate strength for its performance. Tom lay awake that night brooding over having to deny his young wife what he knew she so eagerly desired and awoke late the next morning. Ella had dressed and gone below. Tom arose and was completing his toilet when he heard voices downstairs. Since the patient no servant he was surprised. Going downstairs he was astonished to see his mother and his father and his sister, while his wife's parents were just coming in at the front door.

"Merry Christmas!" all shouted at once.

Tom looked at Ella with a half astonished, half reproachful glance, which melted into a smile under the ringing salutation.

Then came others of both families, every one bringing a package. Tom was surprised to see the breakfast table drawn out to thrice its usual length, with a card bearing a name on each plate, packages piling up on each card. Ella in passing him took his hand and gave it a squeeze, looking into his eyes with an expression which might mean almost anything, but which Tom took as a pleading for forgiveness. Then the breakfast was brought in and all sat down to the table.

Neither Tom nor Ella made any reference during the meal to Ella's violation of her agreement as to celebrating Christmas. But Tom did not act disagreeably about it, after the first few moments entering into the spirit of Christmas with a hearty good will. Ella was unusually merry, showing no trace of fear at a scolding after the celebration was over. When breakfast was finished it was agreed that the presents should be handed to the bride's father, who would read aloud the names of the donor and receiver written on them and hand them to the latter to be opened.

And so the process began, the minor articles being first distributed. Even though the gifts are trifling there is something delightful in the expectation attending these Christmas distributions. A name was read and the package handed to the receiver, who, with a smile for the donor, opened it and, no matter how unimportant the gift, expressed unbounded delight. Half an hour was taken up before the last present came up to be delivered.

"Ella to Tom," was read out in a sonorous voice.

Tom, seeing a little package no heavier than an ordinary letter, felt relieved, thinking that Ella had kept her word at least in this one item, giving him some trifle—a bookmark, perhaps—that she had made with her needle. The package was handed to him and silence, all eyes turned upon him to discover what her gift would be. He broke the string and took out two bits of rectangular paper. It gradually dawned upon him that they were the two notes for \$500 each he had made to Shuster. On their face was stamped in large red letters the word "Canceled."

Tom looked up at Ella, whose eyes were dancing with delight. For a few moments he did not seem to understand the matter or at least did not know what to do. Then he arose from his seat and, going to her, took her in his arms amid a united shout of "Merry Christmas!" from the others, who by this time had gained an insight of the meaning of the bride's gift.

Calls for an explanation coming from all sides, it was given by the bride's father:

"About the time Tom was graduated from college and needed money for his studies for a profession Ella received a legacy of about \$1,200. She desired to give it to Tom for educational purposes, but feared he would not accept it. She went to Shuster, a money lender, and hired him to propose to furnish Tom with the required means at a moderate interest, and it was through Shuster that Ella lent Tom the money, the notes for which on this blessed Christmas morning she as his wife cancels."

All leaned forward to catch every word of this brief explanation. When it was finished every one felt moved to say something, yet no one seemed to know what to say. The silence was broken by Ella's little brother, aged six, who wildly shouted "Merry Christmas!"

The words were not so irrelevant as they seemed, since it was on the first Christmas morning that the great lesson of self sacrifice was announced to the world.

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